WEDNESDAY EVENING MARCH 7, 1900.

THE PRESIDENT has become alarmed at the wide spread opposition his Porto Rico tariff bill has evoked in his own party, and so fearful is he of its effect upon his own renomination and reelection, that he has redudisted his support of that bill, and is attempting to throw the responsibility of its authorship upon his Secretary of War, Mr. Root, who, apparently at least, is not only perfectly willing to bear all the blame of the whole administration, but is proud to do so. The President's course on this bill has reflected no credit upon him. He at first said there should be free trade with Porto Rico; theu, yielding to the sugar and tobacco trusts, he revoked and said there should be a twenty-five per cent. tariff, and now, scared by the effect of that yielding, he turns again, attempts to sacrifice his friends, and reverts to the democratic policy of free trade,

BOTH THE State and the federal con stitutions provide against a general warrant for the search of persons and places. But neither the members of the Virginia legislature nor the Governor seem to have any more regard for constitutions than ex-Congressman Tim Campbell of New York has for such instruments. The legislature instructed the Virginia Senators to vote for an amendment to the Constitution by which U. S. Senators shall be elected by the direct vote of the people, but as the people elected the legisleture and the Governor, what reason is there to suppose they would elect beiter men to the U.S. Senate?

SO UNPOPULAR is Mr. McKinley now, by reason of his unnecessary wars, his single gold standard, his Porto Rico tariff bill, his yielding to the influence of his own ambition and to the selfish desires of the trusts and protectionists, and his manifest friendship for the English in their attempt to crush the liberty of the Boers, who are fighting for their homes, that between him and ex-President Harrison, who opposes him on all these questions, there is little doubt that the majority of the non-officeseeking and disinterested members of his party would prefer the latter for their next

DEATH seems to be unusually rife among the Congressmen this session, another one having died last night It now, as always, is no respecter of persons, taking the old and the young slike. Mr. Harmer, of Pennsylvania, was the oldest, and Mr. Epes, of Virginia, who was buried three days before, was one of the youngest members of the House; but there are so many people to die now, that the death of any one of them is the cause of no special wonder.

THE RECENT reported victories of the British in South Africa seem to have united and consolidated the Boers of that whole region. Those of Cape Colony have now openly joined those of the other States. Great Britain will doubtless crush them in the end, if there be no foreign intervention, but as they are at home, while the British base of reenforcements and supplies is in a far off country, the end referred to is not yet.

SENATOR LINDSAY of Kentucky, now that his democratic successor has been elected, has gone over entirely to the republicans, and yesterday was the only man on the democratic side of the Senate whose name was recorded with the enemies of the party by whose votes he yet holds a seat in that body. Mr. Lindsey is a native of Virginia, but he does not reflect any credit upon the State of his native

THE PLAY of Supho is moral enough for the young girls of Washington, but is entirely too immoral for those of New York, and th theatre in which it was produced there has been closed.

CHANGES IN APPROPRIATION BILL.-The following changes were made in the appropriation bill which was passed the legislature on Monday night : The Treasurer's salary is put back to

\$1,750, the House receding from its amendment fixing it at \$1,500.

The amount for clerical expenses in the office of Secretary of the Common-

wealth, \$3,000. Secretary of the Commonwealth con-

tingent expenses, \$500; fireman at li-brary building, \$725, instead of \$600, but he shall be required to keep his fires going until 6 o'clock. Salary of Adjutant-General, \$2,000

an increase of \$500. The Senate in creased to \$2,400, but the House fixed it at \$2,000, to which the Senate agreed. Contingent expenses Commissioner o Labor, \$500.

Salary Judge Law and Equity Court of Richmond, \$2,300. For the registration of births and

deaths, \$1,000. Pensions, \$135,000 instead of \$160,000. Medical College of Virginia, \$5,000,

an increase of \$1,000. Richmond Eye and Ear Infirmary, \$500 instead of \$1,000.

Laundry at School for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind, \$1,200. Pickett Camp Ladies' Auxiliary, for Confederate Home for Women, \$1,000. The House receded from its action in striking out the amendment directing that \$2,500 be appropriated for the maintenance of summer normal schools.

FROM WASHINGTON. [Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette. Washington, March 7.

An order was issued by the War Department this morning that 500 tons of rice, codfish and bacon be sent to Porto Rico, following the same amount already ordered to be sent. This was done in response to reports which state that the coffee planters cannot employ hands for lack of money and, as a consequence, housands of idle people on the verge of starvation are drifting into the cities. The military authorities find their supplies inadequate. The continuation of the present condition of sickness and starvation, the reports say, will certainly result in an outbreak of lawlessness and brigandage. Gen. Davis, military governor of the island, says that all immediate wants can be relieved if 25,000 men can be can be relieved if 25,000 men can be put to work on the roads and public improvents for three months at a cost of \$225,000 per month.

The Secretary of Agriculture has ordered one hundred thousand rubber trees for experimental purposes in Ha-

The Senate foreign relations committee had the Hay-Pauncefote treaty before them this morning, but no action was taken. The policy of the repub-lican leaders is to proceed slowly owing to the fact that a number of Senators have demanded an abundance of time for thorough consideration of the points involved.

The President sent to the Senate tolay the following nominations: George P. Wanty, of Michigan, to be U. S. dis-Michigan; Corporal Frank M. Polk, company C, 39th infaniry, U. S. V., to e second lieutenant.

Representative N. N. Cox, of Tenn. is lying seriously ill at his hotel in this city. He is one of the oldest Represertatives in the House and is a member of committees on banking and currency and on military affairs. He is now serving his fifth term in Congress.

The House naval committee will go to Norfolk and Newport's News tomor row to inspect the navy and ship yards at those places. They were invited to go to Richmond to look at the Trigg shipyard there also, but had to decline on account of limited time. Represent-ative Rixey, of the 8th Virginia district, is a member of the committee, but will not be able to go, as contested election cases demand his presence in the House.

People from Richmond here today say the prevailing impression in politi-cal circles there now is that Representative Swanson, of the Danville district, will be the democratic nomines for the next Governor of Virginia, and that Delegate Willard, of Fairfax county, will be the nominee for Lieutenant-Governor,

The President, it is reported today, in no good humor with those leaders of his party who so willingly agreed with him as to the advisability of his ridiculous "flop" on the Porto Rico tariff bill, and says they should have informed him of the opposition that bill would raise in his party. Before that bill was passed by the House, his renomination was generally conceded; but a great many prominent and influential republicans are now talking about another term for Mr. Harrison. The argument in the contested election case of Walker vs. Rhea from the

9th Virginia district was to have been made in the House elections commit tee this morning, but no quorum had appeared up to noon, and the committee adjourned until half-past one o'clock, when it was said a quorum would certainly be present and the arnment be proceeded with.

Among the strangers at the Capitol today was State Senator J. L. Jeffries of Culpeper, Virginia. Mr. Jeffries is a candidate for the democratic nomina tion for attorney general of his State and, it is reported among Virginians here, stands a good chance of getting what he wants.

Representatives of the Northern and Western tobacco manufacturers were before the House ways and means com mittee today, asking that the duty on imported tobacco be collected when the tobacco is withdrawn from the government warehouses, and not, as now, when it goes into them

New York democrats now here say ex-Senstor Hill will not only be a delegate to the next national democratic convention, but will go to that convention as a Bryan man and a supporter of the Chicago platform, and that all the men of their State who left their party on account of the silver question, and whoever intended to come back to it, have

already done so.

Contrary to expection, even that of the republicans, the Senate finance committee yesterday evening agreed to report in favor of confirming the nemination of Mr. Bynum as a member of the New York board of appraisers. The committee had before them affidavits of the fact that Mr. Bynum had openly the development of the New York board of appraisers. descried the democratic party and joined the republicans, but, for all that, the republican majority of the committee said he was good enough democrat for them, and as the place, by law, belongs to a democrat, they agreed with the President that he should be paid for

his apostacy.
Mrs. Maggie S. Stephens was appointed postmaster at Leavells. Spottsylvania county Va., today, vice Mrs. Almedia Burton, re-

Ex-Grand Master J. R. Sovereign, of the K. of L., resumed the stand this morning at the Couer d' Alene investigation conducted by the House committee on naval affairs. He said: "The miners union are not crimina organizations. No union to my knowledge took any action countenancing the blowing up of the mill."

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Representative Berry of Kentucky today introduced Captains Saunders, Woodward and Bryan, of New Orleans, to Speaker Henderson, to whom, in the name of King Rex. they presented a crown with a pendant of pearls and diamonds, at the same time giving him the title of Duke of Congress in King Rex's realm. The gift was cordially accepted.

DEATH OF MAJOR WASHINGTON .-Major James B. Washington, one of the oldest officials of the Baltimore and Obio railroad, and for twenty-five years the official head of the road in Pittsburg, died yesterday at the Passavant Hospi-

tal as the result of an operation.

Major Washington was born in Baltimore August 26, 1839. His father, Col. Lewis W. Washington, of Beall Air, Jefferson county, Va. was a grandson of Gen. George Washington's brother. John Augustine Washington, Mrjor Washington's early education was refollowed by a course at the school of Mr. Benjamin Hallowell, in this city, where his father had been a student. In June, 1859, he entered West Point under an appointment from President Buchanan, where he remain

It developed today that Miss Helen Gould was the "Mysterious person" who recently contributed \$100,000 in cash to the New York University to build the new hall of Fame. The name of Jay Gould, it is said, will be among the distinguished dead to be inscribed in the Hall of Fame.

war, when he resigned and entered the

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS. Washington, March 7.

SENATE. Mr. Mason gave notice that tomor row he would move that the foreign relations committee be discharged from further consideration of his resolution, introduced December 6, expressing sympathy for the Boers in their strugle against Great Britain. He disclaimed any discourtesy towards the committee or the Senate, but he had waited in vain for a report and did not propose to wait any longer. If the committee was against the resolution let an adverse report be made. Mr. Mason expressed the belief that 95 out of 100 Americans were for the Boers, and that the Senate was also, and he did not propose that his resolution should be strangled.

After routine business Mr. Lodge

nade a speech on the Philippine question. He said it was important the Spooner bill should pass, so that the President, with legislative sanction, can have the necessary power to deal with the people and the islands. It was in accord with the policy pursued

under Jefferson and Monroe.

Mr. Sullivan introduced a resolution that the Philippine Islands, just as Porto Rico, are the rightful property of the United States, that while the Filipinos continue the present war no expression of intention as to the future course of the United States with respect to them should be made by the

Mr. Lodge, from the committee on foreign relations, reported favorably an amendment to the diplomatic and consular appropriations bill providing for the payment to Liliuokalani, lately queen of the Hawaiian Islands, the sum of \$20,000 for the year ending December 31, 1900, and annually thereafter the sum of \$10,000 during her natural life; that sum to be in full satisfaction of all claims which she may have against the United States or the late republic of Hawaii.

Another desk draped in black and covered with floral emblems of mourn ing bore witness at the opening of the session today that death had again visited the House. Last week it was a Virginia member; this week it is a Pennsylvanian, Mr. Harmer, who from his long term of service ranked as the father of the House. For the second time the debate on the Aldrich-Rob-bins contested election case has had to be postponed. Mr. Mann in charge of that case requested that the vote set to take place at 2:30 this afternoon be postponed to the same hour tomorrow.

Mr. Overstreet presented the confer-ence report on the finance bill and sug-gested that he would call the report up comorrow for consideration and hoped

to be able to dispose of it then.

Mr. Bingham then announced the death of the late Representative Harmer. He spoke feelingly of the esteem in which he was held by the House and said he was one of a group of four re markable men whom the people of Pail adelphia had sent to represent them. Judge Kelly had served in 15 Congresses, or 29 years; Oneil for the same length of time; Samuel J. Randall had served 14 Congresses, or 27 years, and Harmer for the same period. He then offered resolutions of regret, which were adopted, and the Speaker appointed a committee to represent the House at the funeral.

As a further mark of respect the House then adjourned until tomorrow

CAPTAIN MALATESTA BURIED. A cosmopolitan crowd numbering of the late Captain Joseph Malatesta, the popular Italian leader in Philadel-

phia A more magnificent funeral cortege has never passed through the streets of Philadelphia. Undertaker Baldi had secured the handsomest hearse in the city for the occasion, and one of the est caskets ever made in this country incased the remains. The weight of the casket was so great that sixteen professional palibearers were needed to carry it. It was of Santiago mahogany. hand carved with floral and allegorica designs. As an example of the woodcarvers' art it was unsurpassed. The interior of the casket was lined with hand-embroided corded silk, under which was a copper lining. An engraved silver plate bearing the dead man's name and the date of his birth and death was fastened on the inside of the casket lid, was also a handsome silver crucifix Massive engrave silver handles were on the exterior of the casket. The weigh of the casket with the body was over 1000 pounds.

The casket won the gold medal at th World's Fair for its maker. Over 200 carriages followed the family from the nouse to the Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, where solemn high requirem mass was celebrated.

COURT OF APPEALS.

The spring term of the Court of Apeals began in Richmond yesterday. The following business was transacted Reed vs, Commonwealth, Set for the

Callaway ve. Webster. Passed.

City of Richmond vs. Epes. Submit-Finch vs. Southern Railway and oth s. Dismissed agreed. Washington, Alexandria and Mount

Vernon Railway Company vs City Council of Alexandria. Argued by J. . Caton for plaintiff and Gardner Boothe for defendant, and continued until today. Mr. Boothe represents the City Council and Mr. Caton, the railroad company. The case involves the question of paying the street and chang-ing the rails used by the company in the city of Alexandria.

The next cases to be called are South ern Railway Company vs. Wilcox, and DeJarnett and New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Bailway Company vs. Gromwell, Nos. 51 and 53 on argument

THE MINE EXPLOSION.

One of the most destructive mine explosions that have ever occurred in West Virginia took place in the Red Ash mine, two miles west of Thurmond. at eight o'clock yesterday, mention of this was made in the Gazette of that date, More than 30 bodies had Gazette of already been taken out late at night and the number of the dead may reach 40. Fire damp, the deadly explosive gas so ofte i generated in coal mines, caused the disaster. The explosion took ed until the breaking out of the civil place near the entrance, when the mine was full of workmen. The antrance was full of workmen. The antrance ound of the explosion spread terror in every direction, Thurmond is in Fay-et e county, on the Chesspeake and Ohio Railroad 59 miles southeast of Charleston by rail and 250 miles southwest of Baltimore in a straight line.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The scenes at the Capitol yesterday were such as usually mark the near approach of the end of a legislative ession. No business was transacted and the attendance was rather slim. Although under a resolution all legislation closed Monday night at mid-night, both bodies nominally remained in session until this evening in order to save the lapse of time in which the Governor can sign the bill. Today the legislature adjourned for another two

Yesterday Lieutenant Governor Echols called the Senate to order at 12 o'clock, and eight members were in their seats. In three minutes the Sen ate adjourned, and later five more members came in.

HOUSE.

In the House Captain Parks was presented with a silver service from the ommittee on general laws.

Then came a series of thanks to the Speaker, pages, press and clergymen for their services during the session. The friends of Mr. Bland, of Portsmouth, presented him with a handsome gold watch and chain. Clerks Britton and Mann were remembered by their

corps of assistants.

The bill appropriating money for the penitentiary enlargement and the epi-leptic colony, both failed to pass the House, and the advocates of these two worthy measures were not in a good humor over the failure of their

Before the adjournment of the House on Monday night the following Senate

bills were passed:
Providing for the appointment of a
State Board of Health and of a local Board of Health, defining the duties and powers and compensation thereof, and of other members, officers and agents in connection with the preservation of public health, and prescribing penalties against witnesses failing to obey subprenas issued by said State Board of Health, or any authorized member thereof, for refusing to testify or otherwise acting in contempt of said State Board or its duly anthorized member.

To amend sections 90 and 93 of an act approved March 6, 1890, as to license taxes in cases where a court certificate is required.

Authorizing cities and towns to make

city and town levies.

To provide for the settlement with West Virginia of the proportion of the public debt of the original State of Virginia properly to be borne by West Virginia, and for the due protection of the Commonwealth of Virginia in the prem-

To amend section 2136 of the code as to right of owners to plant oysters in any creek and so forth within his sur-

vey. To amend sections 3195 and 3196 o the code in reference to disbarring attorneys at law. To incorporate the Virginia State

Horticultural Society and to define its powers and duties. To authorize clerks to enter record on delinquent land-book when lands

are redeemed from purchases.

To amend an act to define and pre cribe the effect as evidence of deeds conveying property heretofore or here-after sold under deed of trust or mortgage, or under any judicial proceedings approved February 10, 1898

To validate acknowledgment in deeds of trust taken by clerks of county courts, who were trustees in said

To repeal section 13 and to amend R and Ra chapter 2 of an act approved March, 6, 1890, en itled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes an persons, prop-

erty, and incomes, &c.

The House also passed House bills
to amend sections 2079 and 2080 of the code in relation to unlawful hunting, and to amend section 882 of the code in relation to the compensation of over seers of the poor.

The new "Land Grabbers' " act, re cently passed by the legislature, has been signed by Gov. Tyler, and is now law. The act modifies the workings of the old act, and tends to eliminate the objectionable features of the old

The Governor has signed the bill in-

corporating the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Association. The excitement over the signing by the Governor of the commissioners' bil was still high yesterday, and Gov. Tyer was censured on all sides for sign ing the bill. Several delegations arrived from other cities, acting under nstructions from commercial and were disgusted to find the bill a aw. The editorials in the State press fairly sizzled with criticism of the law. and the manner in which it was put in force. As soon as a test case can made up it will be presented to the Su-preme Court for a ruling, and it is confidently believed it will be declared unconstitutional, on account of the way

it was passed, if for no other reason.

Among the bills approved was that ordering a vote on the question of calling a constitutional convention.

The general bill for the protection of game in Virginia did not become a law.
It was introduced in the House by Mr.
Cardwell, of Hanover. It was killed

Cardwell, of Hanover. It was killed in the Senate by Mr. Lupton, of Fred Capt. Joseph E. Willard, of Fairfax will probably become a candidate for lieutenant-governor.

ELECTORAL BOARDS. The following are the names of the m

pers of the electoral boards in the counties in this section of the State elected by the Legissture on Monday night last :

Alexandria city: T. Alton Moore, E. E. Lawier and W. J. B. Duncan. Clarke: J. J. Biley, W. T. Milton and F. B.

Whiting
Culpeper: S. W. Thompson, Walter Yager
and G. A. Utterback.
Fairfax: James P. Machen, Robt. E. Lee,
jr., and Benj. F. Johnson.
Fauquier: A. Fletcher, Howson Howe and

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King George: J. N. Peed, J. T. Minor, jr., and James W. Dishman
Loudonn: John F. Shyrock, Jos. L. Norris and Edgar McCray.

Orange: R. N. Robinson, E. F. Gholson and Bertrelle Woolfolk.

Prince William: Joseph B. Reid, R. W. Merchant and S. R. Lane.

Rappahannock: William T. Yancey, F. L. Slaughter and H. A. Wood. Stafford: Powhatan Moncure, Edgar Ban-all and D. M Los.

Warren: J. N. Jennings, C W. Carson and J. L. Melton. Westmoreland: W. E. Battaile, C. C. Baker Westmoreland and G. Vansant. Prof F. L. Harvey, aged 60 years, of the Iniversity of Maine, shot and killed himself

University of Maine, shot and killed himself today at his home in Orono. He was suffer-ing from mental troubles. To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 250.

NEWS OF THE DAY

The American Sugar Refining Company has reduced the price of all its sugars ten cents on the hundred pounds Representative Levy, of New York, introduced a resolution to force Cura to pay the expenses of the United States in its war with Spain.

A negro yesterday assaulted Mrs Sarah Baker, aged seventy years, at Fitzgerald, Ga. He was arrested and spirited away by officers, but a mob is in pursuit. Harlan Whittaker, the farm hand accused of shooting Governor Goebel

of Kentucky, has been held for the April grand jury without bail. No de-fense was offered. The conference report on the finar

cial bill was taken up by the Sena'e yesterday afternoon, and was adopted by a vote of 44 to 26. The report now goes to the House for its financial ac-It is said that president McKinley's chances for renomination have been lessened because of his attitude on the Porto Rican tariff bill and a movemen

is on foot to nominate ex-President Har-

rison for the presidency. Congressman Alfred C. Harmer known as the "Father of the House, who had served thirteen full terms in Congress as Representative of the Fifth Pennsylvania district, died at his home in Germantown, Pa., last night, at the

age of 75 years. About sixty thousand dollars worth of tickets, which had been bought in advance for the performances of "Sapho" were left outstanding when the performance was suppressed in New York on Monday night. Claims for return money were presented all day Tuesday at the ticket office window and were paid upon presentation.

Edward C. Flansgan, the man wh murdered Miss Ruth Slack and Mrs. Martha Allen, at Popular Springs, on New Year's eve, 1896, gave Dixon A len the wound which subsequently caued his death, and attempted the life o George W. Allen, died in the county jail at Decatur, Gs., yesterday. Judge Chandler has three times passed sertenced of death on Flanagan.

The delegates and alternates elected vesterday to represent the District of Columbia at the republican national convention, to be held in Philadelphia June 19, are: Delegates, John E. Jones and W. Calvin Chase; alternates, Geo E. Emmons and Lucius H. Peterson The defeated candidates for delegateare Robert Reyburn, George W. La-and William F. Thomas. The candi-dates for alternates who were defeated and Thomas G. Hensey and James A. Perry.

Jesse James, of Bethel, N. C., went Monday night with his brother Sam and two friends to the home of his sweetheart, Jessie Lewis, intent upon carrying her off by force, because her father, Edward Lewis, objected to her marrying James. The girl objected when asked to marry against her fath er's wishes. Hot words between fath er and lover were followed by a fight in which Mr. Lewis was shot three times. He was not seriously hurt, howeyer, and fired upon the abductors Jesse James received three bullets, one nearly severing his nose. Sam James was killed.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

The extensive new terminal of the Chesapeake and Obio Railroad at Newport News, which will cost \$2, 000,000, will be completed within four months.

Gov. T

tolk and Portsmouth, to succeed Dr. F. S. Hope. Dr. Norfleet was his most formidable opponent. Mrs. Charlotte Tiedmann, aged 8-

Charles R. Vance health officer at Nor

years, and widow of Dr. Tiedmann, o Philadelphia, died at the residence of her son-in-law, General H. Dilger, of Warren county on Monday.

Mr. Harrison Marks, one of Peter burg's most honored and esteeme citizens and who is the oldest white inhabitant of that place, yesterday cele brated his ninety-second birthday.

A large number of churches of various denominations in Richmond have been advertised and sold at public auc tion, and been bought in by the city on account of their not paying delin quent taxes. Mrs Elizabeth Grammer Thornton

wife of Mr. Casmp T. Thornton, of Port Royal, died at the residence of the Misses Kelly, in Fredericksburg yester day. Rev. Julius Grammer, of Balti more is her brother.

Mr. J. B. T. Thornton, common wealth's attorney of Prince William county, who has been very sick, did not appear in court at Manassas yesterday. Mr. J. Jenkyn Davies acted as common wealth's attorney.

Magistrate Oscar Fleming, of Princes Anne county, charged with the murder of young Snyder, was yesterday com mitted to the Norfolk city jail, A guard of his friends is at his home, in the county, to protect his family, The Grand Lodge, Knights of Honor

of Virginia, met in Rosnoke last night in their 23rd annual session. The various committees, preliminary to the reg ular work of the convention, were ap-pointed, and the actual work of the ses-sion began today.

It is reported that Rev. T. J. Mackay who recently figured in the East End Church, Newport News, scandal, will resign his pastorate and accept the position of national shore superintendent for the Gospel a Yacht Association, which is having built yacht for ser-vices, to be held at various ports, for the benefit of the seamen.

Six assaults in four days, by negro highwaymen and burglars, who have murderously clubbed four defenseless women, have stirred not only Norfolk but the surrounding country, to a high pitch of excitement. For some defense less woman to be brutally attacked in her own home by a mysterious burglar is now an almost nightly occurrence in Norfolk. Of all the suspects arrested by the police circumstantial evidence points most clearly to James Agerson a negro.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered intensely for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg, but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured it in ten days. For Ulcers, Wounds, salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. Sold by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons, Druggists.

Rey. W. E. Sitzer, W. Caton, N. Y., writes "I had dyspepsia over twenty years, and tried doctors and medicines without beneft. I was persuaded to use Kodol Despepsia Cure and it helped me from the start. I believe it to be a panaces for all forms of indigestion" It digests what you cat.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

The Situation in South Africa. London, March 7 .- The absence of all news which would throw light on Gen. Roberts's movements creates the belief that he is already attacking or about to attack the Boer position on his front. The forces opposing the British at Osfontein are now in com-mand of Gen. Joubert and are believed to comprise the main Boer army. They have been constantly strengthening their position which extends along a ridge to the north and south of the river. The rebellion in Cape Colony, which has been strongest in the region near the Orauge river, is now spread-ing in the Prieska and Kenhardt districts, far over to the west. The movement has also affected the district around Victoria West, in Central Cape Colony. The increase in disaffection among the Cape Colonists is causing alarm at the war office. Prompt re pressive measures will be necessary in the disaffected districts, as the rebellion will be a serious menace to the invasion of the Transvaal by threatening the line of the British supplies from Capetown to the front.

General Buller is reported to be advancing along the Harrismith railroad westward toward the Drakenberg Passes, into the Orange Free State without encountering any Boers.
Durban, March 6.—The British flying

column which has been in Zululand since the first of the year, has been heard from. On February 23, the col-umn invaded the Transvaal. The column was thrown forward to repel a large party of Boer raiders who had entered Zululand. By a forced midnight march, the column reach Melmoth, near he Transvaal border on February 22, just before the arrivol of the Boer whose scouts were everywhere in the neighborhood. On the arrival of the British, the Boers retired to the hills. Last week a stronger column was thrown forward consisting of mounted and unmounted infantry with quick-firing guns, Major Pendergast com manding. After crossing the frontier the column continued to Gaiasa, nice miles within the Transvaal, where they entrenched themselves. Since that time there have been daily skirmishes with the Boers. Once a party of sixty Boers was ambushed losing three kill ed and four wounded. The British cisualties thus far have been nil.

## Big Fire in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, March 7 .- A disastrous fire broke out shortly after 7 o'clock this morning in the shooping district of the city, and the flames raged with fierceeness which threatened to wipe out a greater part of the equare bounded by Arch, Eighth, Cherry and Ninth streets. The fire originated in the de partment store of Shoneman Brothers. The five watchmen employed in th store had made their last round and were preparing to leave when they were startled by the cry of fire from the engineer. They hurriedly sent in an alarm. When the fire department arrived on the scene the lower floors of Shoneman's store was a mass of seething flames, and it was found necess ary to send in a general alarm. With remarkable rapidity the flames spread from floor to floor and communicated to adjoining nuildings. The fire broke out half an hour before the employes of Shoneman arrived at work. all there were about five hundred hands employed in the large store, and these will now be forced to remain idle for some time. The large number of employes of Meyerhof will likewise be thrown out of employment. All traffic for squares around was delayed. Trolley wires were torn down, telegragh and telephone wires destroyed. The losses will amount to nearly \$1,000,000 This makes the third large and de-

red ner toosy when the redersi council over voted the Prussian government's wishes that the bill should not be adopted and decided to adopt the agrarian Eschestag resolution in favor of the bill including the prohibitive measures against American meat. However, this latter clause may perhaps be withdraw if the German market acquiesces.

London, March 7. -Evidently moved by
the loyalty shown by the colonies to the empire in the war, Mr. Hedderwick, member of Parlisment for Wick, proposes to introduce a bill into the Commons providing that the colonies be admitted to direct representation

in Par isment. The Red Ash Mine Disaster.

Thurmond, W. Va., March 7 .- The work of recovering the victims of yesterday morning's borrible disaster from fire damp in the Red Ash mines contiques slowly. Up to this morning thirty bodies had been recovered. The work of rescue was kept up all night every man within a radius of several lending all aid possible to the suffering and dying. The superintendent of the mines says the death list will exceed forty. He says had the explo sion been twenty minutes later the los of life would ave exceeded one hundred and fifty. At the progress now making it will take until this evening to reach the men. It will be a weel before all the bodies are recovered and some may never be found. Fully eighty per cent. of the miners were white peo ple and about 60 per cent, were mar

The Plague.

San Francisco, March 7 .- A case suspiciously resembling bubonic plague has developed in Chinatown. victim died in a few hours. Diagnoses differ, but as a precaut opary messure the district has been quarantined. Ectire Chinatown was surrounded this morning by a cordon of police and the five car lines running through that section were ordered to suspend traffic.

An Editor Finds a Sure Cure for Rheumatism.

A. R. De Fluent, editor of the Jour nal, Doylestown, Ohio, suffered for a number of years from rheumatism in his right shoulder and side. He says: right arm at times was useless. Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and was surprised to receive relief almost immedi ately. The Pain Balm has been a coustant companion of mine ever since and it never fails." For sale by all druggiste.

"I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in my family with wonderful results. It gives immediate relief, is pleasant to take and is truly the dyspeptic's best friend," says E. Hartgerink, Overisel, Mich. Digest what you cat. Can-

Boers Routed at Osfontein. London, Merch 7 .- Gen. Roberts wires from Osfontein that the enemy are in full retreat, being closely pur-

sued by cavalry, horse artillery and mounted infantry.

"The enemy," he says, "occupied a position extending four miles north and eleven miles south of the Modder. The cavalry succeeded in turning the et. emy's left, opening a road for the sixth division which is now advancing with. out having to fire a shot. To the present time, at noon, the enemy is in full retreat northward and eastward."

Gen. Roberts' dispatch was dated today (Wednesday) at 4:30 p. m. The news causes astonishment Latest press dispatches stated that the Boers on Roberts' front had gathered in force and were busy entrenching their position. It was thought that Roberts would win, but only af er a hard fight, His quick success, therefore, is a ig

The Markets.

Chicago, March 7.—The market closed as collows: Wheat -May 66a65% July 60% Corn-May -. Pork-May -. Georgetown, March 7.-Wheat 68472

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

Lister's agricultural and chemical works at Newark, N. J, were burned today; loss, 810.

It is believed that the rush to  $\ell$  are Nome will far exceed that to the Klonkike three Vears ago. Secretary Boot and Gen. Ludlow, military governor of Havana, arrived in Havana this morning.

A locomotive hauling a freight train crash-ed through a steel bridge spinning Robinson street, Allegheny, Ps. to any, dragging the tender and one car with it. Two men were killed and another badly is jured.

M. B. Smith, Butternut, Mich., says, "De Witt's Little Early Risers are the very be-pills ever used for costiveness, liver and b.

The bill appropriating \$100,000 to be used by a commission in offering a re-ward for the assassin of Governor Wm. Goebel was presented and signed by Governor Beckham, of Kentucky, yes terday afternoon, after having been signed by Speaker Trimble and Presdent pro tem. Carter today. President McKinley caused a state-

House last night in which he admitted that the Porto Rican bill was an administration measure and that Secretary Root was the author of the bill The House of Commons yesterday adopted a resolution authorizing a lean

ment to be issued from the White

war purposes. Mrs. Louis M. Greene, of Manassas, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. L. W. Ketcham, in Washington, on Monday last.

of £35,000,000 (about \$175,000,000) for

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL

New York, March 7.-The stock market opened duli and fractionally lower this mur-ing. The railroad stocks continued large strong. Government bonds were generally

Alexandria Market, March 7. light transactions while prices remai changed. Country produce is in fair demand

structive conflagration which has visited this district within the past three months.

Foreign News.

London, March 7.—The Queen today issued an order for all the Irish regiments to wear a sprig of shamrock in their head dress every St. Patrick's day to commemorate the gallantry of the Irish soldiers in South Africs.

Capetown, March 7.—It is rumored that a deputation of Afrikander leaders is going to England to agitate for peace.

Berlin, March 7.—A sensational incident in the progress of the meat inspection bill occurred here today when the federal council overvoted the Prusa'an government's wishes that the bill should not be adopted and the progress of the meat inspection bill occurred here today when the federal council overvoted the Prusa'an government's wishes that the bill should not be adopted and the progress of the meat inspection bill occurred here today when the federal council overvoted the Prusa'an government's wishes that the bill should not be adopted and the progress of the meat inspection bill occurred here today when the federal council overvoted the Prusa'an government's wishes that the bill should not be adopted and the progress of the meat inspection bill occurred here today when the federal council overvoted the Prusa'an government's wishes that the bill should not be adopted and the progress of the meat inspection bill occurred here today when the federal council overvoted the Prusa'an government's wishes that the bill should not be adopted and the progress of the progress of the meat inspection bill occurred here today when the federal council overvoted the Prusa'an government's wishes that the bill should not be about today. Native good to prime steers, \$5a6; poor to median \$44.475; solected generally about steady. Native and the market generally about steady. Chicago Cattle Market, March 6 - Cattle

Baltimore, March 6—Flour dull and occhanged. Wheat dull—spot and month, 71%; 71%; April 71%a71%a; May 72%,72% steamer No 2 red 671%a671%; southern whete by sample 65.73; do on grade 68.72. Corn firm—spot and month, mixed 8.3 381%; April 381%387%; May 381%a39.esser mixed 371%a371%; southern white advilow corn 391% bid. Oats dull and easter-16 white 31a311%; No 2 mixed 23a25%, its very dull; No 2 nearby 54; No 2 Western 5.

very dull; No 2 nearby 54; No 2 Wester Hay strong—No 1 timethy \$16a16,50. PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, MAR. 7 190

Schr Allen Greene, for Washington, said from Bockport, Mo, 4th inst. On Monday night, March 5, 1900, SAK H.
J. MILLS, in the 73d year of her see
Funeral from her iste residence. Lee street
between Wilkes and Gibbon, tom row
(Thursday) afternoon at 3 o'clock. Relatives
and friends are respectfully invited.

MEMORANDA

WANTED. WANTED.—A YOUNG MAN as cerk in store; must have reference. App y io A. S. DONIPHAN, 701 King at mh7 3th WANTED.-A bright, intelligent B WANTED,—A bright, but the state of age, to clet grocery store. Wages \$3 s week, to creased as he learns the business Applicant and "GROCERY CLERK," in the care of the state o

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